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Amendments to the Abstract:

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A B
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$$R_3 \xrightarrow{X} \xrightarrow{R_2} \xrightarrow{R_1} X$$

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 and

wherein R_4 R_{1-5} is are H, halogen, C_{1-10} alkyl, C_{1-10} alkoxy, C_{1-10} thionyle, C1-10 C_{1-10} alkyl ether, list-more, R_2 , R_4 and R_5 are H and R_3 is H repeated R_4 aryl and substituted aryl, thioether, sulfonyl, carboalkoxy, alkylamino, arylamino, alkylphosphoryl, alkylphosphonyl, arylphosphoryl and mixtures thereof and X is a halogen atom

to form the pentafluorosufuranyl arylene represented by the structures:

C D
$$R_1$$
 SF_5 R_3 R_4 R_5 R_4 and

wherein R₁-R₅ are as represented in compound represented by the structures A and B-above.

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$$\begin{array}{c|c} R_2 & R_1 \\ \hline R_3 & R_5 \\ \hline R_4 & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

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Enclosed herewith is a clean version of the abstract that incorporates the revisions made.

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